

## Therapy animals honored with cookie sale

April 30 is National Therapy Animal Day: a day to celebrate companion animals and volunteers.

Therapy animals and their handlers visit in hospitals, assisted-living centers, schools and libraries.

They lower blood pressure, improve mood and help struggling readers gain proficiency.

Providence Seaside Hospital will have a cookie sale (for both humans and dogs) from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Funds raised will support Pet Partners.

Pet Partners teams meet high standards for client safety and animal welfare. The organization needs additional volunteers. To determine if your pet may be one, take a quiz at [www.petpartners.org](http://www.petpartners.org).

## Fullbright scholar's Scottish study program is topic of talk

Fulbright Scholar Julie Brown, an instructor at Clatsop Community College, will talk about her experiences during her recent trip to Scotland, where she studied and compared Astoria's maritime culture with that of the Scottish Highlands and Islands.

Her talk is part of the Ales and Ideas lecture series and

set for 7 p.m. Thursday, May 3, in the Lovell Showroom at Fort George Brewery, 14 and Duane streets, Astoria.

The series is sponsored by Clatsop Community College and the Fort George Brewery.

Her presentation will include pictures and stories comparing the two coastal cultures.

"The west coast of Oregon

may be 8,000 miles away from the east coast of Scotland, but we are cultural cousins in so many ways: our love for nature and wildlife, our respect for ancient cultures and history, and our

ongoing celebration of the values these things shape," Brown said.

Doors open at 6 p.m. for those wishing to purchase food or drinks. Minors are welcome.



Julie Brown at Skara Brae, a stone-built Neolithic settlement on the Bay of Skall on an island off the Scottish mainland.

Courtesy Julie Brown

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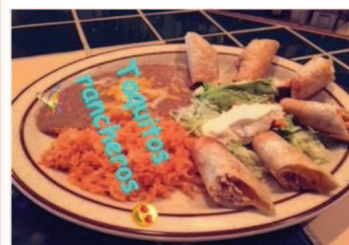
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